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I. [New SVRI Publications and Reports](#)

[Developing an early parenting intervention in South Africa. SVRI, HEARD University of KwaZulu Natal. 2017](#): Parenting interventions have the potential to increase responsive and sensitive parenting, and thus help prevent violence. This brief discusses a parenting intervention, Sikhula Ndawonye, which offers a participatory curriculum, supplemented by 5 short films embedded with key messages.

II. [Journal Articles](#)

Please note, to obtain a full copy of a journal article you may write to the author given as the contact person by the respective publishing house to request a copy.

["I am not a victim. I am a survivor": resilience as a journey for female survivors of child sexual abuse. Newsom K, Myers-Bowman K. J. Child Sex. Abus. ePub, 2017](#): This study explores women's lived experiences of being survivors of child sexual abuse and how they have experienced resilience, developed healthy intimate relationships and positive self-image. [Source: Safetylit].

[Conducting clinically based intimate partner violence research: safety protocol recommendations. Anderson J.C, Glass N.E, Campbell J.C. Nurs. Res. 66\(5\), 405-409, 2017](#): This article provides details on the safety protocol developed and utilized with women receiving care at an urban HIV clinic and who were taking part in an observational study of intimate partner violence, mental health

symptoms, and substance abuse and their relationship to HIV treatment adherence. [Source: Safetylit].

[Interventions for prevention of intimate partner violence against women in humanitarian settings: a protocol for a systematic review. Delkhosh M, Ardalan A, Rahimiforoushani A, Keshtkar A, Amiri Farahani L, Merghati Khoei E. PLoS Curr. ePub, 2017:](#) This is the protocol for a systematic review that will synthesize the evidence on interventions for primary or secondary prevention of intimate partner violence (IPV) in humanitarian settings, and assess the effect of existing types of IPV-related interventions in these settings. [Source: Safetylit].

[Beyond the RCT: Integrating rigor and relevance to evaluate the outcomes of domestic violence programs. Goodman L.A, Epstein D, Sullivan C.M. American Journal of Evaluation. ePub, 2017:](#) This article reviews the reasons that randomized control trials is a poor fit for domestic violence (DV) programs and argues that a more inclusive conceptualization of credible evidence is critical to expanding our knowledge base about how DV programs affect survivors' safety and well-being. [Source: ANROWS].

[Elimination of violence against women and girls as a global action agenda. Kusuma Y.S, Babu B.V. J. Inj. Violence Res. 9\(2\), 117-121, 2017:](#) This article outlines the goals and targets of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) related to elimination of violence against women and girls (VAWG) and explains the framework to target these goals. [Source: Safetylit].

[A review of factors affecting the transfer of sexual and reproductive health training into practice in low and lower-middle income country humanitarian settings. Beek K, Dawson A, Whelan A. Conflict and Health. ePub, 2017:](#) This study identifies factors which contribute to health workers' capacity to transfer sexual and reproductive health knowledge, skills and attitudes learned in training into practice in humanitarian settings. [Source: Reliefweb].

III. Online Publications and Resources

[Implementation Science:](#) Implementation science focuses on bridging the gap between efficacy and impact. This webpage provides information on how implementation science is defined in the HIV literature, how its questions should be framed, and methods that could be used to yield rigorous results. [Source: LSHTM].

[National plan of action to end violence against women and children \(NPA-VAWC 2017/18 – 2021/22\). Ministry of Health, Tanzania. 2016:](#) This five-year National Plan of Action (NPA) provides for a comprehensive and coordinated response to intimate partner violence in Tanzania. The NPA identifies eight thematic areas, each with strategic objectives and plans to achieve them. Among the objectives are research studies and reviews to provide further evidence and information.

[Guidelines for producing statistics on violence against women: Statistical surveys. United Nations. 2014:](#) This report provides detailed guidance on how to collect, process, disseminate and analyse data on violence against women. [Source: UNSD]

IV. Research Opportunities, Grants and Funding

[Call for applications by the U.S. Embassy in South Africa: Empowering youth to combat gender based violence:](#) U.S. Embassy South Africa Public Affairs Section, U.S. Department of State (PAS) requests applications for a project entitled "Empowering Youth to Combat Gender Based Violence". A grantee

will work cooperatively with the Public Affairs Section in Pretoria to tackle an important aspect of HIV/AIDS prevention, which is combating gender based violence. Application deadline: 10 September 2017. [Source: Funds for NGOs].

[Call for papers: SAGE Open special collection - Adolescence, sexuality and reproductive health in Sub-Saharan Africa](#): This special issue aims to draw together the work of academics and policy makers to make available current thinking, evidence, responses and debates relating to adolescent girls and young women sexual and reproductive health needs in Sub-Saharan Africa. Submission deadline: 31 December 2017. [Source: Wits RHI].

V. Advocacy and Awareness Raising

[Blog post: Six golden principles for interviewing women who may have experienced violence, 6 September 2017](#): This blog post describes the six 'golden principles' for interviewing women on intimate partner violence. These principles build on some of the World Health Organization (WHO) ethical and safety guidelines for doing research on violence against women.

VI. News

[Researchers find campus sexual violence significantly affects academics, Medical Express, 6 September 2017](#): Sexual assault on a college campus can cause a considerable number of physical and emotional issues for the victim. While much needed programs, and past studies, have predominately focused on the mental health effects of such violent acts on students, new research by the University of New Hampshire shows that aggressive sexual acts can also adversely impact school work and overall college experience.

[Wanted: More men to champion women in peacekeeping, News Deeply, 5 September 2017](#): To boost the numbers of female peacekeepers, more male leaders need to become champions of women's involvement and apply a gender perspective to this vital sphere of work, said Sahana Dharmapuri of the One Earth Future Foundation.

[New DNA swab to combat sexual violence in war zones, iNews, 5 September 2017](#): Scientists have created a self-testing DNA swab that could make it much easier to prosecute the perpetrators of sexual violence in poor and war-torn countries where victims typically have poor access to forensic tools.

[Why home, even when there's war, is the most dangerous place for women, The Conversation, 23 August 2017](#): Over emphasising conflict-related sexual violence runs the risk of making us lose sight of the fact that a war zone is not the most dangerous place for a woman – her home is.

[Halting sexual exploitation of children in tourism, mission impossible, IPS News, 18 July 2017](#): While the business sector jumps for joy as the number of tourists grew in 2016 for the seventh consecutive year to reach 1.2 billion, and as the first four months of 2017 have registered 6 per cent increase, the sheer speed, abetted by technology, of an atrocious crime—the sexual exploitation of children in tourism has out-paced all attempts to put an end to it.

VII. Events

[International Conference on Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, and Gender Bias, 3-5 April 2018, Illinois, USA](#): This conference bring together law enforcement personnel, prosecutors, victim advocates, judges, parole and probation officers, rape crisis workers, health care professionals, faith

community members, educators, researchers and others to discuss promising practices and emerging issues to effectively respond to sexual assault, intimate partner violence, stalking, human trafficking and elder abuse. Early registration closes 15 December 2017. [Source: End Violence Against Women International]

For more events visit: <http://www.svri.org/calendar.htm>

VIII. Vacancies

[Director WECF Netherlands](#) / Women Engage for a Common Future / Utrecht, Netherlands / Closing date: 13 September 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[E-learning Developer](#) / Child to Child / UK / Closing date: 14 September 2017. [Source: Child to Child].

[Program Specialist for EVAW](#) / UN Women / Kabul, Afghanistan / Closing date: 14 September 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[External Relations Manager](#) / World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts / Brussels, Belgium / Closing date: 18 September 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Technical Advisor Knowledge Management and Communications](#) / CARE / Atlanta, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Technical Advisor II – Gender](#) / Jhpiego / Baltimore MD, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: Jhpiego].

[Women's Protection and Empowerment Coordinator](#) / International Rescue Committee / Kenya / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

[External Project Evaluator, Engaging Youth to End Violence Against Women and Girls in Brazil and Democratic Republic of the Congo](#) / Promundo-US / Flexible / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: Promundo-US].

Sexual violence is a global issue that requires coordinated evidence-based responses.

The Sexual Violence Research Initiative is hosted by the Medical Research Council, South Africa. The SVRI aims to increase awareness and promote research on sexual violence and its linkages to other forms of violence to influence policy and practice, particularly in low and middle-income countries.

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